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INCREASED COMMUNICATION SERVICES PRESAGE CLOSER SINO-SOVIET TIES

SAYS USSR EXTENDING RR INTO SINKIANG -- Hong Kong Kung-shang Jih-pao, 8 Apr 50

New Delhi, 6 April -- Mohammed Imin, former vice-chairman of the Sinkiang Provincial government, who recently arrived here with 600 political refugees stated, on 6 April 1950, that trained Soviet army engineers, (1) have already developed southern and southwestern Sinkiang into a military base, (2) have begun extending the Turkestan section of the Trans-Siberian Railroad into Sinkiang and (3) have been constructing motor roads to link Sinkiang with strategic centers in the USSR.

He also stated that the one million Kazakh nomads of Sinkiang are hostile to Communism and that a strong armed anti-Communist guerrilla force could be organized among them.

HAINAN TO BE RECONSTRUCTED WITH SOVIET HELP -- Hong Kong Hsing-tac Jih-pao, 29 Apr 50

According to a reliable informant and member of the Communist Party, the Peiping government is planning to reconstruct Hainan Island, especially around Yu-lin and San-ya, with the help of Soviet technicians scon after liberation of the whole island is completed. The first phase of reconstruction will be to complete the around-the-island railroad line, which the Japanese had left unfinished. The rails for this line are to be brought in from the USSR. The hydroelectric power plants at Yu-lin and San-ya, also started by the Japanese but which are still unfinished, are to be completed. The second phase of reconstruction is to improve the island's agriculture. For the supervision of this work, a Soviet agronomist is already in Canton carrying on experimental tropical zone farming.

Another source reported that large amounts of Soviet-made radar equipment continue to arrive in South China.

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CCP ADMITS EXCESSIVE ACCIDENTS -- Hong Kong Kung-shang Jih-pao, 8 Apr 50

Hong Kong, 7 April (AP) -- According to a recently arrived traveler, the Communist authorities acknowledge the occurrence of an excessive number of accidents in mines, mills, and on the railroads. In 1949, in the Northeast alone, there were 9,329 accidents, resulting in the death of 291 persons, and injury to 1,245 persons, not to mention material losses. The Communists also admit the existence in Hunan, Kwangsi, and Kwangtung of 150,000 armed anti-Communist guerrillas.

SHANGHAI-MOSCOW RADIOPHOTO SERVICE BEGINS -- Hong Kong Wen-hui Pao, 29 Apr 50

Peiping, 27 April -- The Shanghai Foreign Broadcasting Station began radiophoto service to Moscow on 25 April. The cost for this service is as follows: 37 rubles for pictures smaller than 120 square centimeters, 52 rubles for 120 to 234 square centimeters, and 66.5 rubles for 234 to 350 square centimeters. Pictures showing the signing of the Sino-Soviet treaties which appeared in 19 and 21 February issues of all Shanghai papers were sent from Moscow by this service during its testing period.

SINO-SOVIET AIR POST TO INCLUDE PARCEL SERVICE -- Peiping Kuang-min Jih-pao, 4 Apr 50

Peiping, 3 April (Hsin-hua) -- The Ministry of Posts and Telegraph of the Central government is negotiating with the recently organized Sino-Soviet Aviation Corporation concerning the handling of air parcel post by their line. It has telegraphed the Soviet Ministry of Posts requesting to be linked up with the air-post facilities within the USSR. Heretofore, only first-class letters have been handled by air mail between the two countries, at the rate of 15,800 yuan in peoples notes per 10 grams. It is believed Sino-Soviet air parcel post will soon be in operation.

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